STATEMENT

Quantities of Rice and Wheat producted by Food Corporation of India and State Procuring Agencies for Central Pool during 1993-94 *Marketing Season.*

S. No.	State	PROCUREMENT 1993-94 Maketing season	
		Rice (Including paddy in terms of rice)	Wheat
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	30.25	—
2.	Assam	0·04	—
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	—	—
4.	Bihar	0.03	—
5.	Haryana	12.42	34.54
6	Himachal Pradesh	—	0.01
7.	Karnataka	1.32	—
8.	Kerala	—	—
9.	Madhya Pradesh	7·74	2·42
10.	Maharashtra	0.76	—
11.	Orissa	3.17	—
12.	Punjab	54.67	64·94
13.	Rajasthan	0.21	4.96
14.	Uttar Pradesh	12.96	21.28
15.	West Bengal	1.33	—
16.	Chandigarh	0·25	neg.
17.	Delhi	0.05	0·20
18.	Pandicherry	0·02	—
	Total	125.22	128.35

Neg : Below 500 tonnes.

Rice : Figures as on 25-4-1994.

Wheat : For whole marketing seasons 1993-94

FALL IN SUGAR PRODUCTION

5074. SHRI SOM PAL :

SHRI SARADA MOHANTY :

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that fall is expected in sugar production during the current year ;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor ;

(c) what have been the country's total and state-wise breakdown of the acreage, production and yield per acre of sugarcane ; number and crushing capacity of sugar mills; crushing capacity as percentage of sugar cane production ; actuall quantity and percentage of cane crushed ; production and recovery of sugar ; and number, locations

and capacities of new licences and names thereof; during the past three years;

(d) whether it is also a fact that some of the licencees have failed to set up their units within one year of getting licences;

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(f) what action is or has been taken against such firms; and

(g) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The fall in production of sugar is mainly due to heavy diversion of sugarcane to Gur and Khandsari Sectors.

(c) The required information is furnished at Annexure [*See* Appendix 170, Annexure No. 98]

(d) to (g) The initial validity period of letters of intent granted to entrepreneurs for setting up of new sugar factories is three years. Generally it takes 3 to 4 years to set up a new sugar factory after the grant of letter of intent.

Demand and supply of Foodgrain and Sugar in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh

5075. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total stock of foodgrains and sugar at present in the country, particularly in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is a big gap between demand and supply of foodgrains in the country particularly in the rural areas of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken to fulfil the gap between demand and supply of foodgrains and sugar in the country particularly in rural areas of these two States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) : (a) The total provisional stocks of wheat and rice in the central pool including Bihar and Uttar Pradesh as on 1-4-1994 were as under :—

(In lakh Mts)

	Rice	Whear	Total
Total in the Central Pool			
Bihar	0.7	1·7	2·4
Uttar Pradesh	13·4	4·4	17·8

The above mentioned stocks do not include the stocks privately held by farmers/traders millers etc.

The total closing stocks of sugar as on 31-3-1994 in the country as a whole and in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh were as under :—

(In lakh MTs)

All India	57.9
Bihar	1.5
Uttar Pradesh	17.9